

STATE OF HAWAII

CORRECTIONS POPULATION MANAGEMENT COMMISSION

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Meeting Minutes Thursday, January 22, 2004

Department of Public Safety

Present: Mr. John Peyton, Jr., Director, Department of Public Safety

Peter Gellatly, President, Network Media & OOPS

Major Mark Nakagawa for Mr. Lee Donohue, Chief of Police,

Honolulu Police Department

Ms. Pauline Namuo for The Honorable Ken Ito, Representative,

Hawaii State Legislature

Ms. Genevieve Suzuki for The Honorable Colleen Hanabusa,

Senator, Hawaii State Legislature

Staff: Ms. Martha Torney, Corrections Program Specialist, Department of

Public Safety

Mr. Homer Hankins, Sentencing Simulation Model Project Leader

Mr. Joe Allen, Sentencing Simulation Model Research Analyst

Guests: Mr. John Borders, Programming, Planning & Budgeting,

Department of Public Safety

Ms. Kat Brady, Community Alliance on Prisons

Excused: The Honorable Richard Perkins, Judge of the First Circuit, CPMC

Chair

The Honorable Peter Carlisle, Prosecuting Attorney, City and

County of Honolulu

Mr. Bryan Yee for Mr. Mark Bennett, Attorney General, Department

of the Attorney General

Mr. Dean Yamashiro for Mr. John Tonaki, Public Defender, State of

Hawaii

Mr. Ron Hajime, Administrator, Adult Probation, First Circuit Court

Mr. Albert Tufono, Chair, Hawaii Paroling Authority

Ms. Serena Camara, In-house Substance Abuse Counselor, ATS

Salvation Army

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- **1. Opening of the meeting:** Mr. John Peyton called the meeting to order at 1:35 PM.
 - a. Approval of minutes—The December 18, 2003 Meeting Minutes were not approved as there was no quorum.
- 2. Director's report on the status of the correctional system: The director distributed two handouts; one displayed the head count and the assigned count by facility while the other showed the total inmate population by location. As of January 19, 2004 there was a total of 5,888 inmates; of those, 4,420 are housed at in-state facilities, 36 are housed at the Federal Detention Center, and 1,432 inmates are at contracted out-of-state facilities.

The department will be asking the Legislature to reappropriate the money to build a facility on Maui. Funds will lapse in June and the facility has not been built yet. The department also has \$13M in Federal money that will become unavailable if the department doesn't get the \$18M reappropriated for this facility. Mr. Peyton reviewed the status of the prison facilities: the Community Correctional Centers are in poor condition (the Maui facility being the best of the four, but needs to be replaced and Kauai is in the worst physical condition).

The department will also be asking the Legislature to appropriate funds to plan the immediate replacement of two other facilities. The replacement of both OCCC and KCCC would take care of numerous issues, especially security. In addition, the department will be requesting that the Legislature delete the requirement that the treatment facility be on the Big Island. The main reasons for this proposal are that the majority of inmates who need treatment and the professionals who service them are located on Oahu.

3. Old Business:

Simulation: Application of <u>Senate Concurrent Resolution 86, Draft Proposal</u>: Mr. Allen went over the completed simulation for the SCR 86 Task Force. The simulation showed nearly no impact within the next 7-8 years; if this law had been enacted five years ago, there would have been 5 individuals who would have met the criteria set in the proposed law change (over the past three years three individuals would have met the criteria).

a. Sentencing Simulation Model: Annual Report -- The draft of the annual report was distributed to commission members. The project solicited comments. Mr. Allen iterated that he was pleased with the first year's baseline projections, and how the figures came close to what was projected for the first year's worth of data.

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4. New Business

- a. Presentation of Carter Gobel Corrections Master Plan Mr. Borders presented the 10-Year Corrections Master Plan prepared for the State of Hawaii Department of Accounting and General Services and the Department of Public Safety by Carter Gobel Associates, Inc. The consulting firm recommends replacing all jail facilities and building new prison facilities, with the intention of returning inmates who are being housed out-of-state to be housed here. It was recommended that the jails be replaced first, followed by the prisons. The consulting firm stated that the facilities are reprehensible, but the staff is outstanding, and that they have been the primary reason for the system maintaining its current level of performance.
- **5.** Suggestions for agenda items for next meeting: Traditionally, the commission has tried to meet on a monthly basis. However, due to Ms. Torney being the only staff to the commission and her involvement with the Legislature, some of the meetings may be cancelled. Therefore, the next scheduled meeting will be on March 25th, 2004.
- **6.** Closing of the meeting: Mr. Peyton adjourned the meeting at 3:24 P.M.